

- 1.03 Formulate and revise scientific explanations and models using logic and evidence to:
 - Explain observations.
 - Make inferences and predictions.
 - Explain the relationship between evidence and explanation.
- 1.04 Apply safety procedures in the laboratory and in field studies:
 - Recognize and avoid potential hazards.
 - Safely manipulate materials and equipment needed for scientific investigations.
- 1.05 Analyze reports of scientific investigations from an informed scientifically literate viewpoint including considerations of:
 - Appropriate sample.
 - Adequacy of experimental controls.
 - Replication of findings.
 - Alternative interpretations of the data.

COMPETENCY GOAL 2: The learner will construct an understanding of forces and motion.

Objectives

- 2.01 Measure and mathematically/graphically analyze motion:
 - Frame of reference (all motion is relative - there is no motionless frame).
 - Uniform motion.
 - Acceleration.
- 2.02 Investigate and analyze forces as interactions that can change motion:
 - In the absence of a force, an object in motion will remain in motion or an object at rest will remain at rest until acted on by an unbalanced force.
 - Change in motion of an object (acceleration) is directly proportional to the unbalanced outside force and inversely proportional to the mass.
 - Whenever one object exerts a force on another, an equal and opposite force is exerted by the second on the first.

COMPETENCY GOAL 3: The learner will analyze energy and its conservation.

Objectives

- 3.01 Investigate and analyze storage of energy:
 - Kinetic energy.
 - Potential energies: gravitational, chemical, electrical, elastic, nuclear.
 - Thermal energy.
- 3.02 Investigate and analyze transfer of energy by work:
 - Force.
 - Distance.